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# Perry's Catalogue

SELECT STRAWBERRY PLANTS
SWEET POTATO PLANTS
ASPARAGUS AND RHUBARB ROOTS



# **BASIL PERRY**

GEORGETOWN

DELAWARE

# **Description of Varieties**

**PREMIER (Early)** — This ever-popular berry has stood the test of 38 years. Fruit large and holds its size well throughout the ripening season. Foliage smooth, bright and clean. A good plant maker. One of the most extensively planted early varieties of Strawberries at this time. There are but very few varieties that have equalled Premier's production record. In flavor and quality it ranks with the best. Recommended for home use, local sales or commercial markets.

HOWARD 17. — This berry is exactly the same as Premier.

**TEMPLE (Early)** — As early as Premier and of excellent quality. Heavy cropper. Long picking season. Berries large, glossy, beautiful attractive red. Firm. Wedge to conic in shape. Plants grow luxuriantly. Upright. Dark green. Healthy. Red Stele resistant. Good plant maker. Temple is one of the newer varieties that has caught on and is rapidly becoming a leading commercial berry.

**EMPIRE** (Early) — A new introduction of the New York State Experiment Station as a real challenger of Premier. Berries average extra large in size, very attractive and of excellent quality. Fruit is firm and holds its appearance well, making an excellent shipping berry. Very vigorous grower; withstands adverse growing conditions.

**DORSETT** (Early) — Its bright red color and rich, delicious flavor always bring top market prices. Ripening early with Premier, this variety rapidly came to the top in favor, and is well known and widely planted.

FAIRFAX (Early) — The quality berry. A favorite in quality and productiveness. Originated and introduced with Dorsett, now widely known and planted. The berries are exceptionally large all through the fruiting season, and very firm.

CATSKILL (Midseason) — An outstanding mid-season variety and the recognized leader in its season. The reason: It is the largest, most productive, and most profitable mid-season variety and a sure cropper. Plants are healthy, vigorous growers and make good fruiting beds. The berries are large, and run large to the end of the season; are bright red in color with a fine rich flavor; fully as firm or firmer than Premier. Catskill is unusually productive, growers often picking 10,000 quarts or more per acre, of large, marketable berries. Equally as good also for home gardens and local markets. Plant Catskill for more profit from your berry plantings.

BIG JOE (Midseason) — An old favorite, and until the introduction of Catskill, was the best mid-season variety. Many growers still plant it and say it is their best variety. Plants are strong growers and will make good fruiting beds. Fruit large to very large, with fine flavor; the big bright red berries, with their big green caps make an attractive package that brings top prices. Berries are moderately firm, being as good a shipper as Catskill and is equally good for fancy local markets or road side stands.

**NEW YORK** (Midseason) — This is the sweetest strawberry grown. The plant is a vigorous grower, producing a moderate number of large, healthy plants. The berries are medium to large in size, dark red in color, but only moderately firm in texture. New York is a home garden berry. It is the only strawberry we know of that is sweet before it gets red. We have many calls for New York from those whose health does not permit them to eat berries which are in any way tart or acid in quality.

CORSICAN — This berry is exactly the same as New York.

OUR PLANTS ARE STATE INSPECTED AND FOUND FREE FROM DISEASE

## Fall or Everbearing Strawberries

Everbearing strawberries have long since ceased to be just a novelty and have an accepted place in berry growing. They bear two crops each year, one in the spring and one in the fall. Everbearers will fruit the fall of the year they are set. Keep the blossoms cut off until about July 10 and you can enjoy luscious berries from August until the snow flies. Removing the early blossoms gives the plants a chance to make a vigorous growth before fruiting, resulting in more and larger berries in the fall.

SUPERFECTION (Everbearing) — Originated by Mr. Keplinger of Northern Michigan who discovered the famous Gem Everbearer. The berries are exceptionally large and round, red to the center with a sweet pleasing mellow flavor. They are firm, and will withstand shipment without losing their quality.

Delicious to eat fresh, canned, preserved in jams and jellies, as well as fresh frozen. Bears an abundance of large berries throughout late summer and fall season.

The spring crop compares favorably with leading standard varieties.

We believe it is the best everbearer ever introduced, and think it will replace the others in popularity when it becomes more widely known. Made to order for the small gardener as well as the commercial planter, we consider this a mighty good variety and recommend that you plant them.

BRUNES MARVEL (Everbearing) — This is another new variety of everbearing Strawberry that differs from all others in this way: For you folks who cannot eat other varieties of Strawberries, can eat this one. No acid, and about all sugar. This variety will not cause a rash like others do on some folks. It's really so sweet that no sugar is needed. Mild and smooth. Seeds are so small that they are hardly noticed. Berries are medium in size, deep red, somewhat elongated and wonderful to eat. We find that Brunes Marvel produces an excellent crop in June as well as in the fall.

The plants are medium sized with dark green foliage and produced in good

numbers.

### ASPARAGUS ROOTS

MARY WASHINGTON. (The Best Variety). This is the best of the rust resistant strains and is the most widely used variety for home and market. The shoots are larger and grow more rapidly than other kinds. The stalks are very thick, and of an attractive deep green color with purple tops. Even the largest and thickest shoots of this variety are tender and delicious. Prices of good strong two-year-old roots -25 for \$2.25; 50 for \$3.60; 100 for \$6.00; Postpaid.

By Parcel Post or Express, purchaser to pay charges — 250 for \$11.00; 500

for \$18.00; 1000 for \$30.00.

## RHUBARB ROOTS

MYATT'S LINNAEUS — The earliest and best variety. The stalks grow very large and often 2 inches wide, are light green and scarlet. Requires less sugar than other kinds. Prices of good strong roots — 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; 8 for \$2.50; Postpaid.

By Parcel Post or Express, purchaser to pay charges — 25 for \$6.00; 50 for

\$10.00: 100 for \$18.00.

DAVID J. BEILER, BIRD-IN-HAND, PA. — Writes. We have been getting Strawberry Plants from you for about ten years and always received nice plants.

MR. JACOB GEO. LEIBY, HAMBURG, PA. — Writes: We have been buying Plants from you for many years and always like them.

OUR PLANTS ARE TRUE TO NAME

## Price List of Strawberry Plants

	— By Parcel Post Prepaid —				Express Purchaser to Pay Charges	
	25	50	100	200	500	1000
	Plants	Plants	Plants	Plants	Plants	Plants
PREMIER	\$1.00	\$1.75	\$3.20	\$5.50	\$9.00	\$16.00
HOWARD 17	1.00	1.75	3.20	5.50	9.00	16.00
CATSKILL	1.00	1.75	3.20	5.50	9.00	16.00
∕BIG JOE	1.00	1.75	3.20	5.50		
TEMPLE	1.00	1.75	3.20	5.50	9.00	16.00
FAIRFAX	1.00	1.75	3.20			
NEW YORK or CORSICAN	1.00	1.75	3.20	5.50	10.00	18.00
DORSETT	1.00	1.75	3.20			
EMPIRE	1.00	1.75	3.20	5.50	10.00	18.00
SUPERFECTION (Everbearing)	1.50	2.50	4.50			
BRUNES MARVEL (Everbearing)	1.50	2.50	4.50			

#### MY STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Are always grown in new beds, Are fresh dug at time of shipment Are planted in blocks and kept pure, Are' sold at as low a price as we can name, And furnish good plants.

### SWEET POTATO PLANTS

NANCY HALL - An old favorite of uniform excellence, yellow skin, meat, sweet and of amber yellow color.

PORTO RICO YAMS - A very popular variety. Deep orange flesh. Sweet, mellow and of fine flavor.

Price either variety—\$1.50 per 100; 200 for \$2.50; 500 for \$5.00; 1000 for \$9.00.

Terms-Payment must be made before shipment. If not convenient to remit entire amount when order is sent remit not less than one-fourth of the amount of the order, and your order will be booked and held for you and you can remit the remainder when convenient, before shipment.

Our Prices—We think our prices are as low as any reliable grower can offer the same grade of goods. Some may offer lower prices, but the best plants are always the cheapest in the end. Try ours.

Our Stock is equal to any grown, and you may always rely on getting it fresh and full of life, and as our soil is especially adapted to the growing of plants, we send out as fine roots as any on the market.

#### STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE NURSERY CERIFICATE

Dover, Del., September 29, 1953

This certifies that in accordance with Chapter 21, Article 1, Section 1 to 16 inclusive, Revised Code of Delaware, 1935, the nursery Stock of Basil Perry of Georgetown, Sussex County, Delaware, has been examined and is apparently free from dangerous, injurious insects and diseases. The above Company certifies that the nursery stock contained in this shipment was taken from the stock which passed inspection.

This Certificate is valid until September 30, 1954 unless revoked before that date.

W. R. HICKMAN, State Plant Pathologist